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<u> ČERTIFIED MAIL – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED</u>

April 10, 2006

Stephen G. Schwarz, Esq. Faraci & Lange LLP Two State Street, 4th Floor Rochester, New York 14614

Re:

Freedom of Information Act Request 02-RIN-01009-06 Concerning the Cayuga County

Groundwater Contamination Superfund Site

Dear Mr. Schwarz:

By letters dated March 21 and March 29, 2006, I forwarded documents to your attention pursuant to your e-mail request dated March 16, 2006.

Enclosed please find a bill in the sum of \$74.35 for the duplication of 309 pages of documents (309 pages at \$0.15 per page =\$46.35) and one hour of professional search time (\$7/quarter hour =\$28.00). Please forward a check or money order payable to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, within 30 days of the date of this response. Your check should refer to the RIN number above, should be accompanied by the top portion of the enclosed Bill for Collection and should be mailed to EPA Region 2, P.O. Box 360188M, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15251. Your prompt payment of the amount indicated will be appreciated.

Please note that the instructions contained in my March 21 and March 29, 2006 letters requested that payment not be sent until a bill was sent by EPA. Unfortunately, your office's efforts to be timely in making payment resulted in your sending a check in the sum of \$21 for the first document received, apparently before you had received my letters asking that payment not be sent until a bill was received. EPA processes thousands of FOIA requests each year and if these requests are processed outside of established procedures there inevitably are problems in properly accounting for payments received. I have, therefore, returned the check (enclosed herewith) in the sum of \$21 that was enclosed with your March 21, 2006. Please remit the check for \$74.35 in accordance with the instructions in the preceding paragraph and the enclosed bill.

Sincerely

George A. Shanahan

Assistant Regional Counsel

New York/Caribbean Superfund Branch

Enclosure